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TAGS: PEPR, MA, AG
SUBJECT: PRESIDENT RATSIRAKA VISITS ALGERIA

1. OFFICIAL PRESS BULLETIN REPORTS ARRIVAL OF RATSIRAKA
IN ALGIERS ON JULY 5, COMING FROM THE SOVIET UNION.
ALTHOUGH THIS VISIT TO ALGERIA NOT PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED,
ITS POSSIBILITY HAS BEEN WIDELY RUMOURED, PARTICULARLY
SINCE RATSIRAKA DODGED A REPORTER'S QUESTION ON THIS
SUBJECT AT HIS AIRPORT INTERVIEW PRIOR TO LEAVING FOR
MOSCOW.

2. AS REPORTED HERE RATSIRAKA'S ARRIVAL REMARKS
HIGHLIGHTED GOOD BILATERAL RELATIONS. IN REPLY TO A
REPORTER'S QUESTION HE IS QUOTED AS SAYING HE IS
CONTINUING TO WORK TOWARD A SUMMIT MEETING OF PROGRESSIVE
AFRICAN COUNTRIES AT A TIME WHEN SO-CALLED MODERATE
COUNTRIES ARE WORKING TOWARD THEIR OWN UNITY.
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3. REST OF COVERAGE CONSISTS OF QUOTES FROM COMMENTARY
IN ALGERIAN DAILY EL MOUDJABID WHICH DEALS WITH, INTER
ALIA, NEED FOR PROGRESSIVE UNITY ON EVE OF OAU SUMMIT,
DANGER ARISING FROM WESTERN COVETOUSNESS OF AFRICAN
RESOURCES, MANEUVERS OF IMPERIALISTS TO GET HOLD OF
THESE RESOURCES, ETC. BARRETT

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